

Pipefitter on USS Pasadena

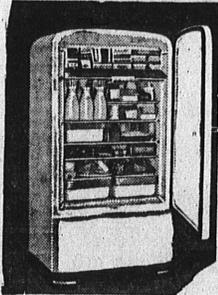
Anthony Harry Kaelin, chief pipefitter, USN, husband of Mrs. Gladys Kaelin of Torrance, is serving aboard the light cruiser USS Pasadena, a unit of Task Force 38, which is now undergoing an intensive training period in the Western Pacific and the China Sea area.

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220th Street Sewer Work Begins Soon

Assessment for a \$17,787 sanitary sewer project east of Torrance has been confirmed by the Board of Supervisors. The contract was awarded to L. L. Craig of Long Beach. The assessment district consists of 18 parcels along Figueroa street between 223rd and 220th streets. Action was taken by the board after a hearing during which no protests were registered.

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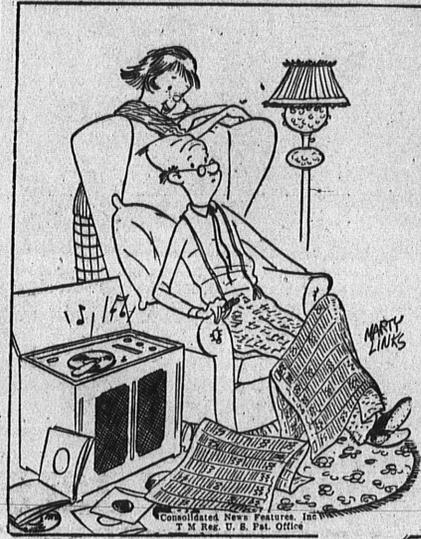
MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER

OF COURSE YOU REMEMBER ANN! SHE'S THE BRUNETTE-I INTRODUCED YOU TO LAST WEEK!



BOBBY SOX

By Marty Links



"Alvin will be here in only ten more minutes. Doesn't that DO something to you?"

HISTORY OF NEW YEAR

Jan. 1 is New Year's Day, as we well know—but it wasn't always that way. During the Middle Ages the first day of the year was March 25. The ancient Egyptians started their year at the autumnal equinox, Sept. 21, and up until five centuries before Christ the Greek new year began on Dec. 21.

Even now there are two other new years besides the one generally celebrated. One is the Jewish year which begins with the month of Tishri—sometime between Sept. 6 and Oct. 5. Chinese new year is the other. It, too, varies but arrives around Feb. 19.

Strangely enough, nearly 200 years ago (1752) when Britain adopted the Gregorian calendar thus changing New Year's Day from March 25 to Jan. 1, it was necessary to wipe out 11 days of the year. As a result, Sept. 2 of that year was followed the next day by Sept. 14.

So, if you're asked: Where were you on the night of Sept. 5, 1752, you'll have a perfect alibi.

A TRAP FOR GENIUS

"All my life I have lived in the presence of fine and beautiful men going to their death because of alcohol. I call it the greatest trap that life has set for the feet of genius."

—UPTON SINCLAIR

Smog Hearing Set by Board for Jan. 4

The Grand Jury's report on the smog situation has resulted in a call by the Board of Supervisors for a report on the progress of air pollution control in Los Angeles county.

The board set Jan. 4 at 2:30 p.m. as the time for public hearing of the annual report by Dr. Louis C. McCabe, district air pollution control officer.

On motion of Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, the Grand Jury is invited, as well as anyone interested in the hearing, to be held in the Hall of Records.

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WITH AIRBORNE—Pvt. Merle L. Carte of Torrance, who has completed special training at the Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga.

Torrance Boy Wins Coveted Silver Wings

Pvt. Merle L. Carte, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde V. Carte, 1720 Cabrillo avenue, Torrance, has completed the basic airborne course with the Airborne Battalion, Student Training Regiment, at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

He was presented with the coveted silver wings of a qualified paratrooper at the impressive graduation ceremony of Basic Class No. seven on November 19.

During his five weeks of strenuous training at Fort Benning he learned the techniques and principles of parachute jumping and landing. In this period he also made five supervised jumps from a plane in flight at altitudes of 1000 and 1200 feet, one of which was with complete combat equipment.

A large part of his training covered safety procedures in and around airplanes both before and during actual flight. It is this training which has helped so materially to reduce accidents among America's paratroopers. Another interesting part of the training was a glider flight he took during his training period.

It was at Fort Benning that the late Major General William C. Lee founded and organized the first airborne unit in the United States Army, a force that grew and expanded so rapidly during the war years that it became a major factor in the victories in Europe and the Pacific. Today, two of the greatest of these airborne divisions, the 82nd and 11th, are on active duty; the former in the United States and the 11th in Japan. Others are being reactivated and the troops graduated from Fort Benning will swell their strength.

Re-surfacing of Via Monte D'Oro in Hollywood Riviera also will be done by the Griffith Company, the low bidder for the work.

FOOD, RUMMAGE SALE SET BY BETSY ROSS CLUB

One of the lovely Christmas parties was the luncheon in Masonic Temple for members of Betsy Ross Star Club. Favorite carols were sung at the conclusion of the luncheon which was served at tables lovely with colorful berries and lighted candles.

At the business session presided over by President Alethea Smith, plans were outlined for a rummage and food sale on Jan. 14 and 15, the sale location to be announced later.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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December 22, 1948
Grover C. Whyte, Publisher
Torrance Herald
Dear J. Whyte:

El Camino College appreciates very much your continued interest in the welfare of our Institution. The support which you have given us in publicizing our many activities is also greatly appreciated. Our Institution is a growing one, and we hope we shall continue to merit your confidence and be a part in the development of this great community of the El Camino Junior College District.

We wish you a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and successful New Year.
Sincerely,
Forrest G. Murdock
President.

Two Torrance Men Aboard USS Tarawa

Two Torrance men, Harvey Eugene Turrentine, aviation ordnance man, USN, husband of Mrs. Frances Katherine Turrentine of 2356 235th street and Edwin Gene LeRoy, seaman, USN, son of Thomas Ernest LeRoy of 2317 Sonoma avenue, are serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Tarawa, a unit of Task Force 38, which is now undergoing an intensive training period in the Western Pacific and the China Sea area.

These exercises are being conducted for the purpose of giving officers and men of the task force realistic training in all phases of naval activities. In addition to the training on shipboard, personnel familiarize themselves with the ports and peoples of foreign lands.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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